

State of Alaska Maritime Economic Activities

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Alaska's Arctic Overview

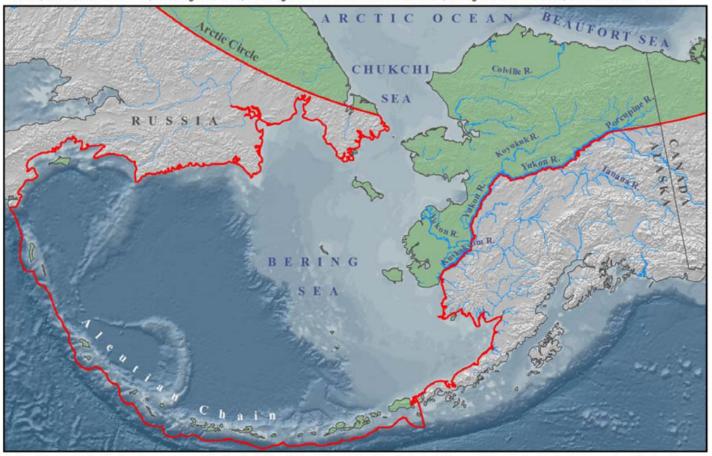




Alaska's Arctic Policy

Arctic Boundary as defined by the Arctic Research and Policy Act (ARPA)

All United States and foreign territory north of the Arctic Circle and all United States territory north and west of the boundary formed by the Porcupine, Yukon, and Kuskokwim Rivers; all contiguous seas, including the Arctic Ocean and the Beaufort, Bering and Chukchi Seas; and the Aleutian chain.¹



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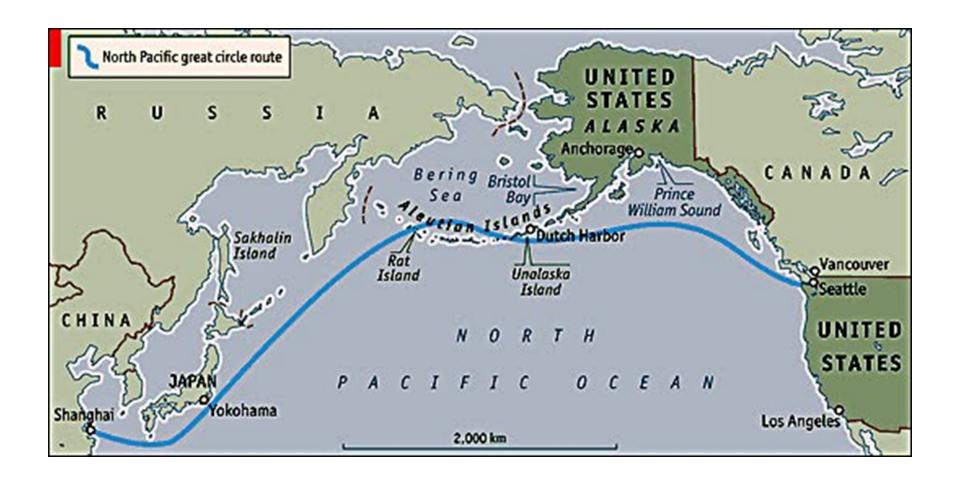
Map author: Allison Gaylord, Nuna Technologies. May 27, 2009.

Source: U.S. Arctic Research Commission

^{1.} The Aleutian chain boundary is demarcated by the 'Contiguous zone' limit of 24-nautical miles.



North Pacific Great Circle Route





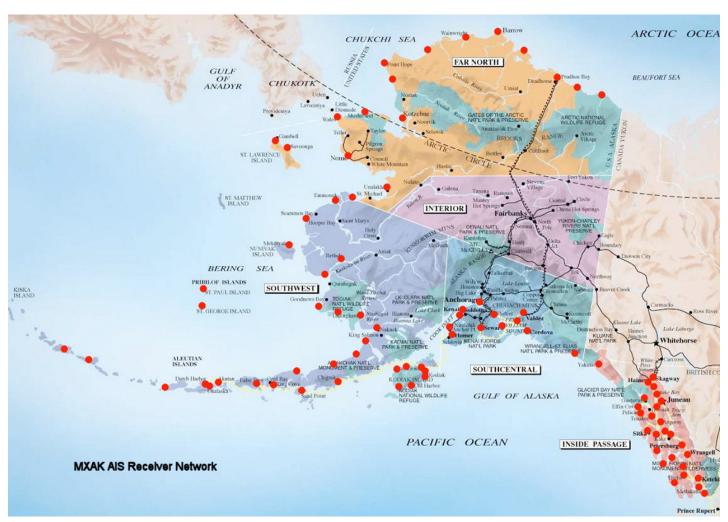
Arctic Economic Development- AIS

Marine Exchange of Alaska



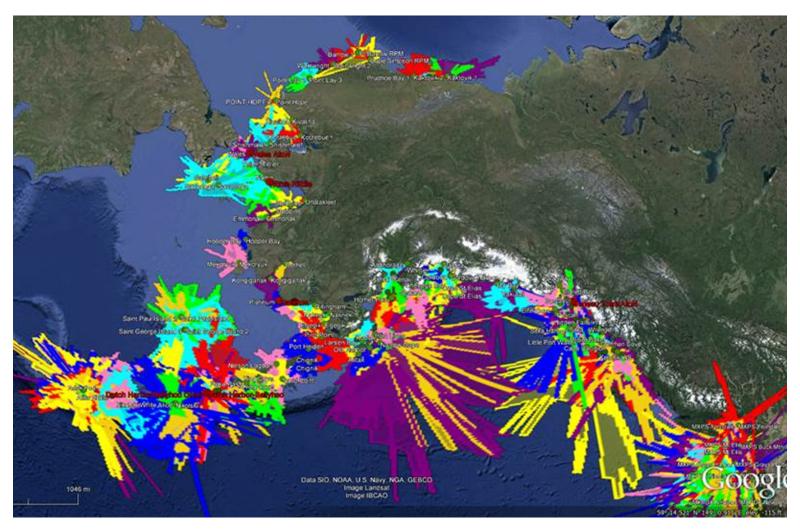


Locations of AIS Receiving Stations in Alaska



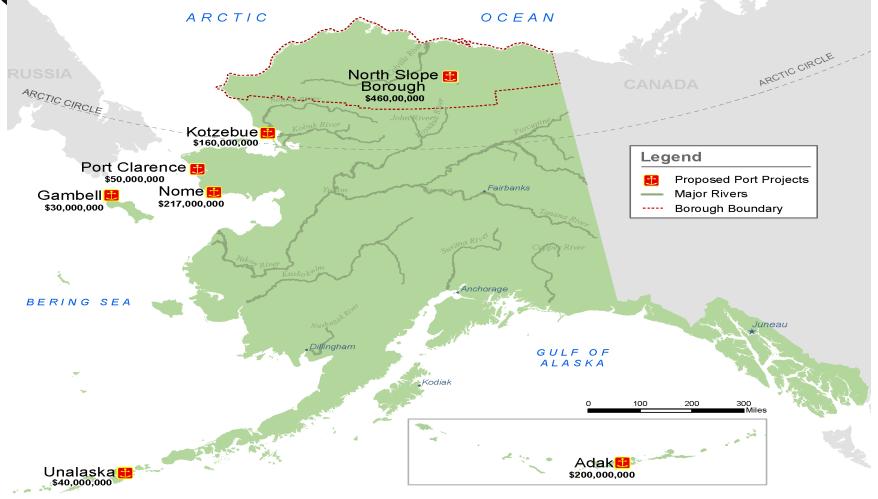


AIS Coverage in Alaska





Arctic Economic Development – Port Planning





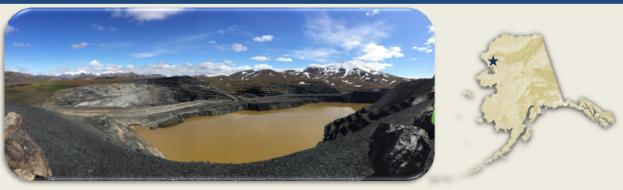
Arctic Economic Development – Nome Port

- Army Corps of Engineers draft feasibility report Feb. 2015
- Estimated cost for expansion is \$217 million.
- Current depth of 22 feet at deepest point. The proposed plan would dredge to 28 feet. Analysis is underway for expanding to 35 foot depth.
- Extended causeway and new large vessel dock also a part of the expansion recommendations.





Red Dog



Main Pit (flooded) and Aqqaluk Pit (photo: OPMP)

Operator: Teck Alaska Inc.

<u>Location:</u> Approximately 82 miles north of Kotzebue on Nana Regional Corporation land

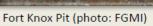
Principle minerals: Zinc and lead

<u>Production:</u> Opened in 1989. In 2014, approximately 4.3 millions tons of ore was milled producing 1.06 million tons of zinc concentrate and 219,000 tons of lead concentrate



Fort Knox







Operator: Fairbanks Gold Mining Inc. (Kinross Gold Co.)

<u>Location:</u> Approximately 25 miles northeast of Fairbanks on state and private lands

Principle minerals: Gold

<u>Production:</u> Opened in 1997. In 2014, approximately 387,000 gold equivalent ounces were produced

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Pogo





Pogo Mine (photo: Sumitomo)

Operator: Sumitomo Metal Mining Pogo LLC.

Location: Approximately 38 miles northeast of Delta Junction on state land

Principle minerals: Gold

<u>Production:</u> Opened in 2005. In 2014, approximately 972,000 tons were mined, 967,000 tons were milled, and 342,000 troy ounces of gold were produced.

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Arctic Mining- prospects



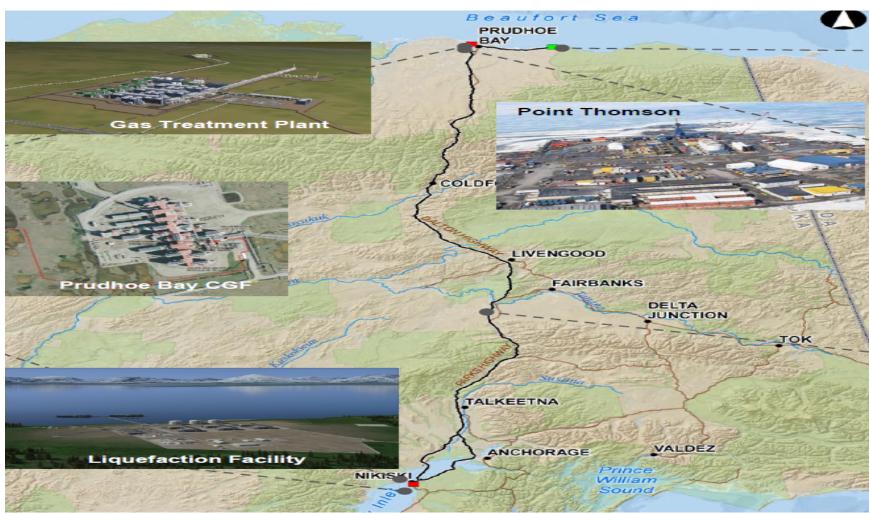
- The Upper Kobuk Mineral Projects (Gold, Silver, Copper, Zinc) in the Ambler Mining District are still in exploratory phases.
- Graphite Creek, Bering Straits, Donlin Creek, Kuskokwim River,



Arctic Development and Funding

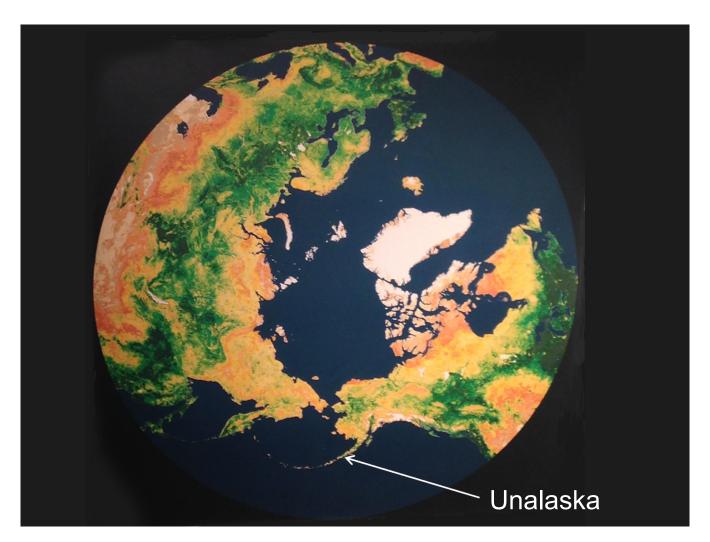








Unalaska – Strategic Location



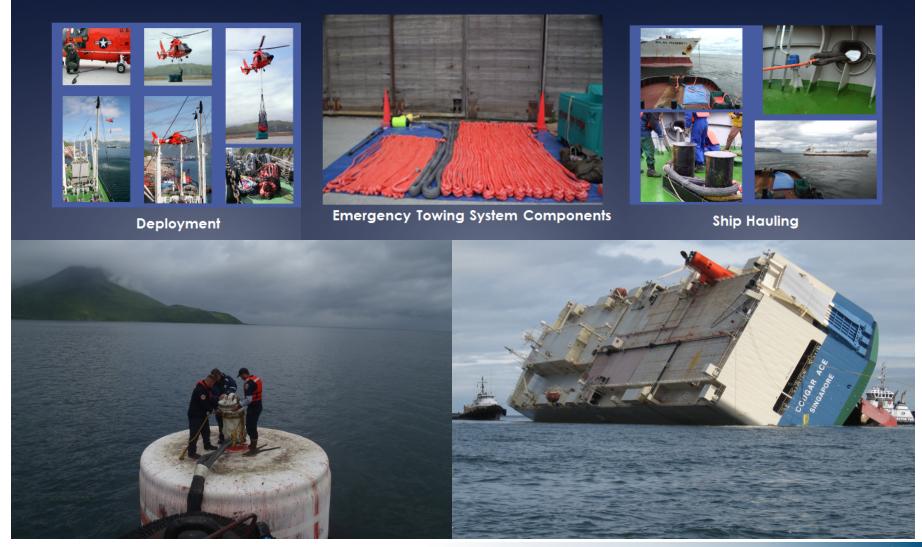


Unalaska-International Port of Dutch Harbor



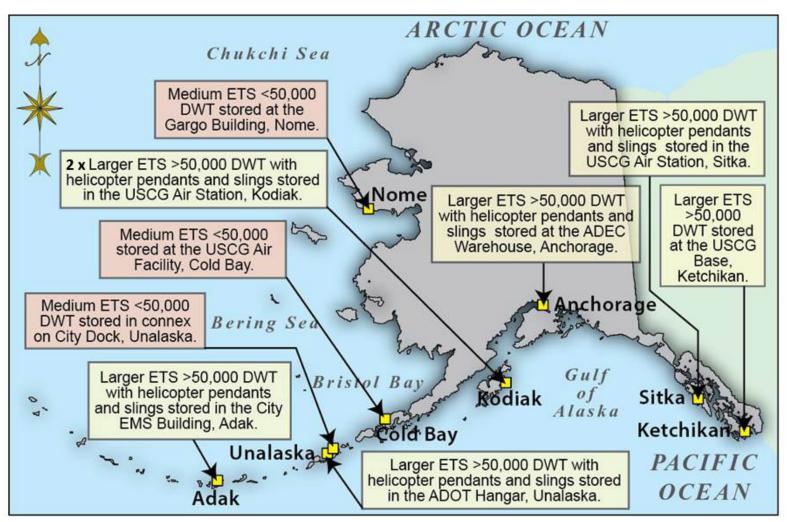


Arctic Maritime Activity – Safety





Locations of ETS today





Arctic Maritime Activity – Commercial Fishing

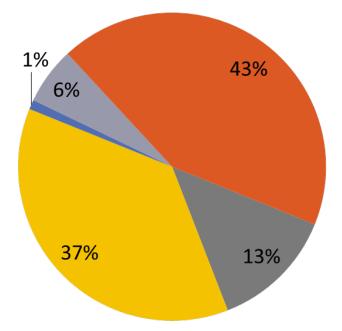


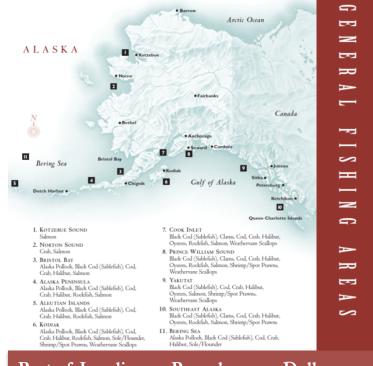


Arctic Maritime Activity - Fishing

2013 Ex-Vessel Value by Major Species (millions)

- Shellfish (\$275)
- Salmon (\$741.2)
- Herring (\$16.6)
- Halibut (\$111.5)
- Groundfish (\$869.3)





Port of Landing	Pounds (millions)	Dollars (millions)
Dutch Harbor- Unalaska, AK	752.5	197.2
Akutan, AK	469.5	104.9
Kodiak, AK	425.6	153.6

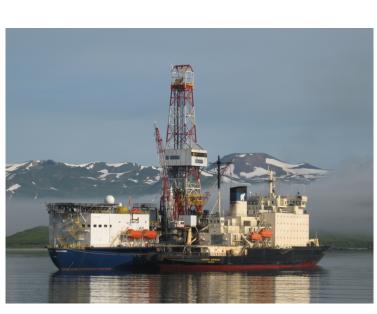


Oil and Gas- Polar Pioneer in Unalaska





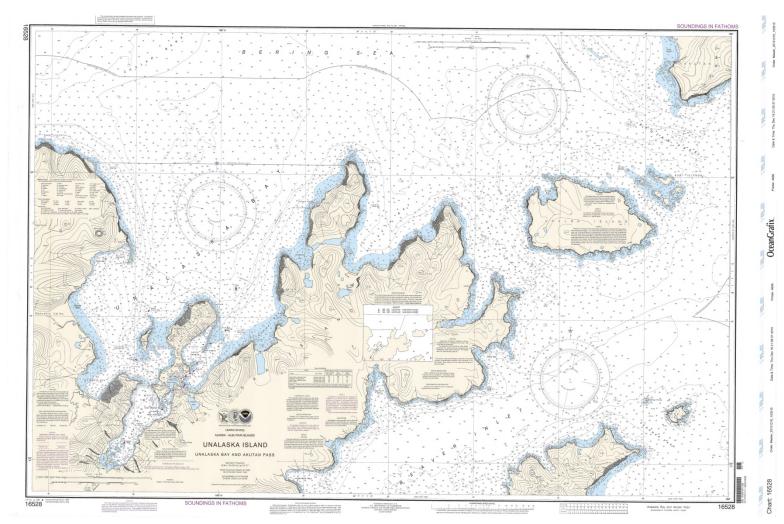
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Unalaska Island





Unalaska preparations for oil and gas





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Sunrise over Unalaska Marine Center

